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- ☒ Other: International Search Report dated 29 February 2000
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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Applicant hereby brings attention to the Examiner that the following references: WO 99/24373, US 3,545,951, US 3,832,153, and US 5,022,907, were cited in an International Search Report dated 29 February 2000. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)):

A partial translation is attached to reference JP 6-40732A. An abstract is attached to reference JP 7-237928A. US 4,983,205 is the English equivalent of JP 3-50132A. US 4,292,065 is the English equivalent of JP 55-75930A. US 5,069,705 is the English equivalent of JP 3-174334 A. US 4,139,359 is the English equivalent of JP 54-85217A.

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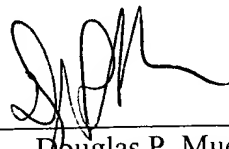
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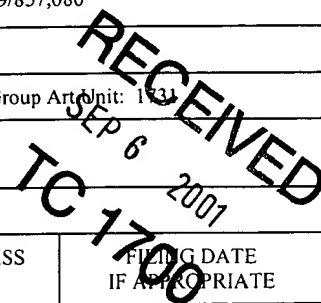
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	4 983 205	8 Jan. 1991	Kuster et al.			
	4 292 065	29 Sept. 1981	Nedelec et al			
	5 069 705	3 Dec. 1991	Letemps et al.			
	4 139 359	13 Feb. 1979	Johnson et al.			
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	3 832 153	27 Aug. 1974	Bezombes			
	5 022 907	11 June 1991	Vanaschen et al.			

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	JP 3-50132 A	4 March 1991	Japan			see US 4 983 205	
	JP 6-40732 A	15 Feb. 1994	Japan			partial translation	
	JP 7-237928 A	12 Sept. 1995	Japan			abstract	
	JP 55-75930 A	7 June 1980	Japan			see US 4 292 065	
	JP 3-174334 A	29 July 1991	Japan			see US 5 069 705	
	JP 54-85217 A	6 July 1979	Japan			see US 4 139 359	
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## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)




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